

**AUTOMATED SERVICE CONFIGURATION  
OF MOBILE RADIO STATION DEVICES**

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

5        An apparatus and method is disclosed for configuring a mobile radio station device (e.g., a cellular telephone) when the mobile radio station device or "mobile station" is initially configured for service. The present invention comprises an apparatus and method for downloading initial  
10      operational parameters to a mobile station using a radio link. The initial operational parameters are downloaded using a data call connection formed with the mobile station. A data message, such as a Short Message Service (SMS) message, is sent to the mobile station. The data  
15      message requests the mobile station to initiate a data call connection with a node-device that contains (or has access to) the initial operational parameters. The mobile station forms a data call connection with the node-device and receives the initial operational parameters.